

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) is pleased to announce the assignments of Donald F. Owen and David J. Grover as the Board Site Representatives at the Department of Energy's (DOE) Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (RFETS) near Boulder, Colorado. A previous Site Representative, Mr. Mark Sautman, has been reassigned from the RFETS to the Hanford Site near Richland, Washington. This is a routine transfer as part of the normal rotation of Board technical staff.

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board is an independent federal government agency with public health and safety oversight responsibilities at the Department of Energy's defense nuclear facilities.

As a Board Site Representative, Mr. Owen and Mr. Grover will advise the Board with regard to the overall safety and health conditions at Rocky Flats, and will participate in the conduct of Board staff reviews and evaluations related to the design, construction, operations, and decommissioning of nuclear facilities. They will also act as the Board's liaison with the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site's management team and when authorized by the Board will represent the Board before state and local agencies, the public, and industry officials.

Mr. Owen joined the Board in August 1991. His previous assignments with the Board have included technical reviews of DOE's efforts to resume operations with enriched uranium at the Oak Ridge Y-12 Plant, technical reviews of proposed DOE directives, technical reviews of DOE stockpile management activities at Oak Ridge and Pantex and technical reviews of waste processing activities at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site. Prior to joining the Board, Mr. Owen was involved with the design and construction of rocket engine test facilities with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and was involved with the design of space nuclear power systems in private industry. Prior to this, Mr. Owen was on the headquarters staff of the DOE Office of Naval Reactors and involved with the design, development and maintenance of reactor plant equipment for naval nuclear applications. Mr. Owen earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Villanova University and a Master of Science Degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering from George Washington University. He has also completed graduate level education in reactor plant engineering at DOE's Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory. Mr. Owen is a licensed Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Mr. Grover joined the Board in June 1994. His previous assignments with the Board included the responsibility for staff activities related to nuclear materials handling, processing and

storage, including the DOE storage standards for plutonium and uranium-233, the spent nuclear fuel project at the DOE Hanford Site, and pit storage at the Pantex Plant. Prior to joining the Board, Mr. Grover was employed by the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard where he was involved in the construction and installation of nuclear submarine structural components. Mr. Grover has a Master of Science Degree in Nuclear Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Maine.

Mr. Owen, with his wife, Sheila, and their son, Thomas, will move to the Boulder area in mid July. Mr. Grover, who will also reside in the Boulder area, will report to his new assignment the end of August.

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